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Good afternoon,

I am sure most of you have seen the project's mention in the recent Boulevard Sentinel: <a href="http://www.jejprint.com/blvdsentinel/#/10/">http://www.jejprint.com/blvdsentinel/#/10/</a>. Thank you all so much for playing a role in getting the project to this print-worthy point!

SWA is currently in the process of producing Construction Documents which will then be submitted to the city for permitting. I have been notified by LADOT that we can obtain our permits (an A permit and an R permit is required for the sidewalk improvements) from the Office of Community Beautification (OCB)'s Adopt-a-Median Program. This should expedite the process, but LANI will need to name an organization (such as the neighborhood council or the bid) to "adopt" the project and ultimately maintain it. I imagine the maintenance will be very little for the tile mosaics—an occasional wipe down here and there. Please let me know if you have any suggestions as to what community group should "adopt" the project—I will need to incorporate them into the application packet for permitting.

Additionally, the project needs to be presented to the Department of Cultural Affairs (DCA). I will not be able to get the A and R permits until they have approved the project. I have submitted an application for conceptual review to the department, but upcoming meetings have not been scheduled due to some transitions within DCA. I will be following up with them consistently and will let you know when we plan to present the project to the Board of Commissioners.

Other than that, please keep me abreast of events in the community. I am always happy to pay Highland Park a visit. Please never hesitate to contact me—I will be in touch.

All best, Janell

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